

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application Number : 10/593,831 Confirmation No.: 3234  
Applicant : Toshihiro AKAIKE, *et al.*  
International Filing Date : September 23, 2005  
Title : PLURIPOTENT STEM CELL GROWING METHOD  
TC/Art Unit : 1632  
Examiner: Scott LONG  
Docket No. : 69719.000003  
Customer No. : **21967**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Sir:

The following remarks are submitted pursuant to, and concurrently with, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and are responsive to the Final Office Action mailed November 2, 2009 ("Office Action"), in the above-identified application.

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants respectfully petition for a three month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period within which to file a response up to and including May 2, 2010, which is a Sunday, thus extending the time to reply up to and include May 3, 2010 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7. Accordingly, this submission is responsive within the paid-for extensions of time.

Please charge **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** in the amount of \$1920.00 to cover the RCE fee (\$810) and three month extension of time fee (\$1,110). It is believed that no other fees are required for entry of this response, or to keep the application pending, but should any fees be necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.